

House Resolution 1768

By: Representative Collins of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to remove from
2 the Constitution provisions relating to the State Personnel Board and a State Merit System
3 of Personnel Administration; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or
4 rejection; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Article IV of the Constitution is amended by revising Section III as follows:

8 "SECTION III.

9 ~~STATE PERSONNEL BOARD~~ VETERANS PREFERENCE

10 Paragraph I. ~~*State Personnel Board.*~~ (a) ~~There shall be a State Personnel Board which~~
11 ~~shall consist of five members appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the~~
12 ~~Senate. The members of the board in office on June 30, 1983, shall serve out the remainder~~
13 ~~of their respective terms. As each term of office expires, the Governor shall appoint a~~
14 ~~successor as herein provided. All such terms of members shall be for five years. Members~~
15 ~~shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. A member of the State~~
16 ~~Personnel Board may not be employed in any other capacity in state government. A~~
17 ~~chairman shall be selected by the members of the board from its membership.~~

18 (b) ~~The board shall provide policy direction for a State Merit System of Personnel~~
19 ~~Administration and may be vested with such additional powers and duties as provided by~~
20 ~~law. State personnel shall be selected on the basis of merit as provided by law.~~

21 Paragraph H. ~~Paragraph I.~~ *Veterans preference.* Any veteran who has served as a
22 member of the armed forces of the United States during the period of a war or armed
23 conflict in which any branch of the armed forces of the United States engaged, whether
24 under United States command or otherwise, and was honorably discharged therefrom, shall
25 be given such veterans preference in any civil service program established in state

26 government as may be provided by law. Any such law must provide at least ten points to
27 a veteran having at least a 10 percent service connected disability as rated and certified by
28 the Veterans Administration, and all other such veterans shall be entitled to at least five
29 points."

30 **SECTION 2.**

31 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
32 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
33 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

34 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to remove from the
35 Constitution provisions relating to the State Personnel Board and a State
36 () NO Merit System of Personnel Administration?"

37 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."

38 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
39 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
40 become a part of the Constitution of this state.